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For: PECTATE LYASES, NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THEM AND METHODS
FOR MAKING AND USING THEM

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Second Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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